

The Federal Communications Commission

Dear The Federal Communications Commission,

I do not want to pay more for my telephone service! I urge you to reject a flat fee proposal that would change how contributions are made to the Universal Service Fund. I am concerned that this proposal could make my current service unaffordable.

Under the flat fee proposal you are considering, people who make few long distance calls would pay the same as people or businesses that make many calls. In other words, low-volume and primarily residential customers would bear the same universal service fund burden as a high-volume residential or business customers. This is unfair!

I use my home and wireless phones for safety, security and convenience, as well as to make a modest volume of business-related calls. I don't want to lose these benefits so that big businesses can pay less than their fair share. I am particularly concerned about the effect this change might have on low-income households, including those of the elderly poor, in this area and elsewhere.

I urge you to reject the proposal to move the USF collection system to a flat-fee.

Keep the USF Fair!

Sincerely,

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